Coordinator Policy 01-O: Acceptance of Credentials of Current Coordinators

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Background: §157.43 Section (c) deems all coordinators who hold current certification on the effective date (9/1/00) of the rule to have met the entry requirements appropriate to their level of certification. Section (j)(4), addresses recertification and states the coordinator who is renewing must meet renewal requirements plus those of (d) or (e). This implies current coordinators are considered to have met the new rule requirements but requires the coordinator to show evidence of meeting initial basic coordinator or initial advanced coordinator requirements before recertification can be considered.

Statute Reference: Health and Safety Code, Section 773.050 & 773.056

Rule Reference: §157.43 - Course Coordinator Certification

Policy: The intent of the new coordinator rule was to accept the credentials of currently certified coordinators as long as they do not allow their certification to expire. Coordinators who were current on the effective date of the rule (9/1/00), will not need to satisfy initial requirements when applying to renew certification.

Initial coordinator requirements must be met if:

- 1) the basic level coordinator applies for advanced level coordinator certification or
- 2) they fail to maintain their coordinator certification.

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